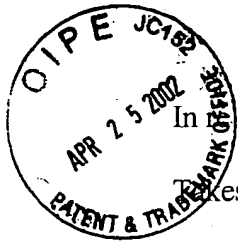


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One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith, along with a copy of the Communication from a foreign Patent Office citing reference nos. USP 5,585,577, USP 5,898,388, USP 4,688,951, USP 6,007,250, USP 5,648,614 and GB 1 604 861.

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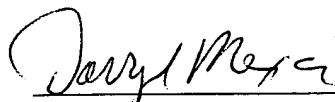
application (CPA) under §1.53(d); (2) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits (whichever is later); or (3) Before the mailing date of the first Office Action after filing a request for continued examination (RCE) under §1.114, and therefore, no Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) or fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) is required. Nevertheless, since a Statement can be made a Statement is submitted herewith.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for foreign language documents, Applicants submit the following explanations:

The submission of the attached partial English language translations along with JPA Nos. 2000-329593, 2001-151090 and 8-29441 constitute concise statements of relevance of the respective references. Also, JPA Nos. 5-12744, 2543369 and 2539382 are accompanied by concise explanations.

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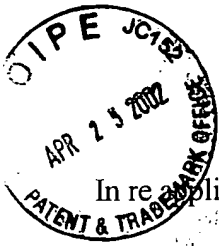


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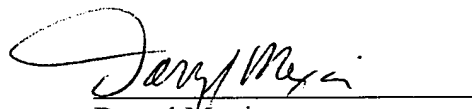
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